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## Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)

**Free Service for Nonprofits.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

<http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/RFP/InternationalResidencies.html>. GrantID: GD879

**National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR)--Disability and Rehabilitation Research Project and Centers Program--Field Initiated (FI) Projects.** *Department of Education* announces funds to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology that maximize the full inclusion and integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most severe disabilities; and to improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is February 6, 2006. Approximately \$3,750,000 is available to fund 25 awards, up to \$150,000. For further information, contact Julius Cotton at (202) 245-6140 or [julius.cotton@ed.gov](mailto:julius.cotton@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/E5-6910.pdf>. GrantID: GD878

## Federal Opportunities

**International Arts Connection Residencies (IACR).** *National Endowment for the Arts* announces funds to promote in-depth interaction between artists from the Region of Central Europe, Russia, and Eurasia and artists and audiences in the U.S. Through IACR artists and arts managers from the Region participate in five-week residencies with cultural organizations in the U.S. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, state governments, nonprofit, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is January 11, 2006. Approximately 15-20 awards are available. For further information, contact William Hummel at (202) 682-5417 or [hummelw@arts.endow.gov](mailto:hummelw@arts.endow.gov); or go to:

**Research on Social Work Practice and Concepts in Health (R21).** *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to encourage the development of empirical research on social work practice, concepts and theory as these relate to the NIH public health goal of improving health outcomes for persons with medical and behavioral disorders

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and conditions. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations other than small businesses. There are multiple deadline dates. Awards up to \$200,000 are available. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at [FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV](mailto:FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV); or go to: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-083.html>. GrantID: GD870

## Teaching American History Grant Program.

*Department of Education* announces funds to support projects to raise student achievement by improving teachers' knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of traditional American history. By helping teachers to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of traditional American history as a separate subject within the core curriculum, these programs improve instruction and raise student achievement. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is February 3, 2006. The deadline date for Notices of Intent to Apply is January 6, 2006. Approximately \$119,040,000 is available to fund 100 awards, up to \$2,000,000. For further information, contact Julius Cotton at (202) 245-6140 or [julius.cotton@ed.gov](mailto:julius.cotton@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/E5-6912.pdf>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <http://opgd.dc.gov/>. Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply. GrantID: GD876

## District Opportunities

**Escheated Estates Fund.** *Office of the Secretary* announces financial support through the Escheated Estates Fund to local organizations that help the economically disadvantaged in DC. Escheated Estates funds are obtained from the sale of confiscated property of District residents who die without a will or any known relatives to receive their inheritance. Portions of the proceeds from these sales are offered as grants. Eligible applicants include

District-based nonprofit organizations. The deadline dates for 2006 applications are March 31, June 30, September 29, and December 28, 2006. Awards up to \$10,000 are available. Applications and three copies should be sent to: Patricia Elwood, Chairman, Escheated Estates Application Screening Committee, Office of the Secretary, The John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 419, Washington, DC 20004. For further information, contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 727-6306; or go to: <http://www.opgd.dc.gov>. GrantID: GD873

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

*Commission on the Arts and Humanities (CAH),* UPSTART Program, December 15, 2005, at 6:00 p.m.

*Department of Housing and Community Development* Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME), Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), and the Housing Production Trust Fund (HPTF), January 6, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

*Commission on the Arts and Humanities (CAH),* New Media and Audio Artist Program, January 20, 2006, at 6:00 p.m.

*Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development,* Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

## Foundation Opportunities

**HOPE II.** *Maryland Crime Victims' Resource Center, Inc.* announces funds to establish subgrantee sites in urban, high crime areas across the U.S. Subawards will be used to: (1) increase the number of crime victims served in the target community; (2) increase training opportunities for service providers assisting victims of crime; and/or (3) increase the ability of agencies providing services to crime victims to collaborate and form networks with victim service agencies. Eligible applicants include faith-

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based and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2006. Approximately 48 awards of up to \$50,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact Natalie Sarfin at (301) 952-0063 or [natalie@mdcrimevictims.org](mailto:natalie@mdcrimevictims.org); or go to: <http://www.mdcrimevictims.org/>. GrantID: GD871

**Learning Circle to Improve the Achievement Gap of Young Men of Color.** *DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (Trust)* announces funds to support the participation of out-of-school time programs that focus on young males of color in activities developed in conjunction with the Cross-Cities Learning Circle on Improving the Educational Achievement of Young Males of Color. Programs should serve young men of color between the ages of 12-18 (middle, junior and high school students) and provide holistic services that incorporate youth development principles and academic enrichment components. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is January 5, 2006. Awards up to \$10,000 are available. The Trust will host a Bidder's Conference on December 14, 2005, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., at 1616 P Street, NW, 7th floor, Washington, DC. For further information, contact the Trust at (202) 347-4441; or go to: <http://www.cyitc.org/cyitc/>. GrantID: GD872

**New Voices Community News Program.** *J-Lab: The Institute for Interactive Journalism* announces funds to launch new community news ventures and to cooperate with J-Lab in spotlighting best practices and lessons learned. Projects will be evaluated on the following criteria: level of communications innovation; plans for effectively serving an identified community with fact-based news, information, and dialogue; usefulness as a prototype for others; and realistic prospects for sustaining the project after New Voices funding has ended. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, nonprofit, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is February 8, 2006. Approximately 10 awards of up to \$17,000 are available. For further information, go to: <http://www.j-lab.org/>. GrantID: GD874

**Toolbox for Education.** *Lowe's Foundation* announces funds to empower parents and encourage

their involvement in their children's schools, through school improvement projects initiated by parents. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and parent-teacher groups. The deadline for applications is March 15, 2006. Approximately 1,000 award of up to \$5,000 are available. For further information, contact the Foundation at (800) 644-3561 or [info@toolboxforeducation.com](mailto:info@toolboxforeducation.com); or go to: <http://www.lowes.com/lowes/lkn?action=pg&p=Abo utLowes/Community>. GrantID: GD875

## Resources & Announcements

**Anti-Spam Desktop Software.** *Mailshell* will donate anti-spam software to eligible nonprofits as part of the 3rd annual "Stop Spam Today!" campaign. Eligible applicants include U.S. nonprofits and U.S. public libraries that have either a 501(c)(3) designation or an FSCS ID. The dates to order this software are December 14 and 15, 2005. To expedite your order, you are encouraged to make sure that your organization is registered and qualified at TechSoup Stock before December 14. For further information, go to: <http://www.techsoup.org/stock/spam/>.

**Citizen Summit IV Preliminary Report Released.** *The District of Columbia* held its fourth Citizen Summit on November 19, attracting more than 2,000 people to determine how our city can be more effective in "Lifting All Communities." Participants discussed and voted on their priorities for how the District can best accomplish the following: support growth and development of all youth; expand jobs and employment prospects for all citizens; rebuild a library system serving all citizens; and create an inclusive city through housing and economic development. To access the preliminary report, go to: [http://cs.ona.dc.gov/cs/frames.asp?doc=/cs/lib/cs/CSIV/CSIV\\_Preliminary\\_Report\\_web.pdf](http://cs.ona.dc.gov/cs/frames.asp?doc=/cs/lib/cs/CSIV/CSIV_Preliminary_Report_web.pdf).

## Previous Announcements

**Clearinghouse for Nonprofits.** *Idealist.org* is a portal for anyone interested in nonprofit organizations' issues, careers, and volunteering services. The website provides services to the global community in an effort to connect people, resources and nonprofits around the world. For more information and to register, go to: <http://idealist.org/>.

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**Coming Up Taller Awards.** *The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities,* recognizes and rewards outstanding arts and humanities programs that engage children by giving them safe environments in which to learn and develop their skills and aspirations. Programs should reach children during the most vulnerable time of their days: after school, on weekends and during summers. Approximately 10 awards up to \$10,000 are available. The deadline to submit applications is January 30, 2006. For further information, go to: <http://www.cominguptaller.org/new.html>.

**Giant Step Award to Recognize Achievements of School and Public Libraries.** *Thomson Gale and School Library Journal* recognize outstanding school and public libraries that have made significant improvement or created new initiatives in programs and services that greatly impact student learning and development, or that enrich services in both the school and the community. The deadline to submit applications is February 15, 2006. For further information, go to: [http://www.galeschools.com/grant\\_goldmine/giant\\_ward/about\\_giant.htm](http://www.galeschools.com/grant_goldmine/giant_award/about_giant.htm).

**National School and Business Partnerships Award.** *The Council for Corporate and School Partnerships* supports and recognizes the efforts of schools and businesses that partner to improve the academic, social or physical well-being of students. Eligible applicants include partnerships involving K-12th grade public schools and/or school districts and businesses. Awards up to \$10,000 are available. The deadline to submit applications is January 30, 2006. For further information, go to: <http://www.corpschoolpartners.org/>.

**Nonprofit Fundraising.** *e-BIC* will host the last in its series of classes for nonprofits. Talaekah Brooks, JD of Southeastern University's Center for Entrepreneurship will cover fundraising planning and creating a standard grant format.. The class will take place on December 14, 2005, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., at the Martin Luther King Library's e-BIC Video Conference Center, A Level. To RSVP, contact Katina Bolden at (202) 727-2241 or [ebic@dc.gov](mailto:ebic@dc.gov).

**Youth Gangs.** *The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention* will air a 2-hour videoconference "Communities Respond to Youth Gangs in America", on January 11, 2006, at 11:00 a.m. The program, which may be viewed via satellite downlink or on the Internet, will feature community programs and strategies that effectively address the problem of youth gangs. It will explore strategies to leverage resources, provide examples of partnerships across disciplines, highlight innovative strategies, and share information on faith-based responses and neighborhood efforts. For further information and to register, go to: <http://www.trc.eku.edu/jj>.

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